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ALL DAY PARK CHAIR SCRAP POLICE FORCED TO DO A LITTLE LAW

Some-Made Boston Tea Party Law Get to Be Altogether Too Tumultueus — Fights Over the Green Chairs Make a Rough House of Madison Square Park — Both Sides Arrested.

There were scraps all day yesterday ever the seventy-six green pay chairs in Madison Square Park. So strenuous did the struggle become that Police Commissioner Murphy was forced to order Capt. Flood to send extra policemen to the park to preserve order and use their discretion in making arrests. Later these policemen were reenforced by a lot more, and the peaceable park lounger who was content with a good seat on a free bench had all the fun he wanted. Commissioner Murphy told Capt. Flood that while he was not to make arrests simply for sitting in the free chairs, order must be preserved in the parks. He also told him to find out whether free benches were being moved out of the shade to make way for pay chairs.

The disorder began early in Madison Square, whose habitues apparently have decided that no matter how other parks take it, they will fight Spate's chairs to the last. The storm centre appeared to be at the lower end of the park where the most chairs are. A crowd gathered around these, and began the usual discussion of the people's rights in the parks. Now and then a man came along, purchased a ticket for a chair from the attendant, and sat down to read his morning paper with an air of assured comfort that disgusted the crators in the crowd.

There were only five or six policemen in the whole park and after a while the crowd began making trouble. One after another sat down in a green chair, stretched himself and waited to be put out. Beerman, the attendant who has already had soveral encounters with the hostiles, tried to collect fares, but seeing the attitude of the crowd, decided to wait until he had help. Mr. Spate's office is on the top floor of the St. James Building. Beerman went over to headquarters and reported that more attendants were needed.

Two men were pressed into service and with badges pinned to their coats went out to find every chair filled and a crowd of a thousand people looking on whose sympathies were variously divided. The mafority seemed to be on the side of the free

"Spate's getting bouncers," yelled some one who had caught sight of the new men with the badges. The three attendants went from chair to chair, tipping up the chairs. As fast as one was emptied its occupant, amid yells from the crowd, sat down in it again. Word was sent to the West Thirtieth street station and Capt. Flood appeared with the reserves. The reserves did not sail in with their clubs in the style of Aleck Williams, but simply went in among the people and ordered them to keep walking and not to block up the path. This thinned the crowd, but the like its remained full.

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Then the tipping-out process began again. This time some of the sitters would not be turned out, but hung on to the chairs. Two held on like grim death while their chairs were turned every which way, thumped on the walk and banged around generally. Then the police decided to interfere on the basis of preserving order and the two sitters who had fought it out were arrested. They were Robert Maynard, who gave his address as 488 Milier avenue, Brooklyn, and They were Robert Maynard, who gave his address as 488 Milier avenue, Brooklyn, and Robert Farrell, who said he lived at 85 Russell avenue, Brooklyn. Policemen Underhill and Peterson with several other cops started off with them to the station house, most of the crowd following.

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"You're all right," said the crowd to the prisoners, "the cops aren't obeying orders, They'll be bounced by Murphy." All the way up Broadway the cops were yelled at. Finally at one corner Detective Farrell saw a boy throw a stone at one of the en and hit him in the back of th Then another stone came. Farrell the boy. He was Louis Lowenstein, court Maynard told Magistrate Mayo nat he was a married man with a family it was out of work. He said he had rea but was out of work. He said he had read about the trouble in the park, but had heard that Commissioner Murphy had said that people who sat in the chairs should not be arrested, so he had gone and sat in one. The Magistrate, saying that Maynard had dilberately gone to seek trouble, fined him \$2 for disorderly conduct. Farrell got off for lack of evidence. The boy who had thrown the stone was fined \$3.

The first in which these arrests were made

The fuss in which these arrests were made lasted until noon. Capt. Flood under instructions from Commissioner Murphy yot fifteen policemen from Central Park
detailed to Madison Square and fifteen
more extra men were ordered to the park
from the steamboat squad. That made
in the afternoon thirty-five men in the park. police stood in a row at one time tween the two rows of chairs and kept every one moving. Others stood in places where there were no chairs, and even kept peoble moving there. It couldn't be expected under these circumstances that trade for Spate would be very brisk. A few people did sit down and paid, but evidently

didn't enjoy themselves on account

In the afternoon there was another riot over seats at the north end of the park, and the police changed their factics. Joseph Neigh, who said he was a vilor, a seat in one of Spate's chairs an i re-to pay. The crowd told him to keep d to pay. The crown told seat. The tailor said he would. Therepontwo of Spate's men grabbed the chair not made the chair and the man do stunts," as the crowd said. In spite of e 'sunts' the tailor held on like a leech.
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Itst Neigh's head hit the walk with a thud and the crowd cried "Shame!" The tailor with his legs and hands got tighter next tip the chair made was forward tighter. back touched the sidewalk, but Then he was turned sideways, ead receiving a good number of hard live came up on the run from all park and arrested the tailor. he crowd, and others took it up. men consulted. Then they

f authority on their coats. at's the right thing," said the crowd, ation house the same charge was ust all three persons. Their of-lighting, wresting and blocking ks of Madison Square," and all that on could say as to their reason for id not change the charge. They ogned in court in the morning. om Spate's office yesterday, after the battlefield to see whether his were still alive, told reporters rouble over the chairs would sub-

netely in a few days. sone statement we want to corhe, 'and that is that we have park benches. We have not most of the agitation, is en Where we have put our no free seats. So you see bad as we're made out. Mr seat and are willing to pay for demand police protection for and are going to keep the chairs ey are. The better class of people us, and in time it will all come out

thought the hue and cry over paid sand is reducted the interact of years paid search was largely due to the antipathy that Deputy Police Commissioner Devery had shown toward the Park Department.

"You will remember," said he, "that Mr. Devery a short time ago publicly said to the Devery as short time ago publicly said to the Pople what was equivalent to walk on the Reas. I will not allow anything that will

Second for Titon Semiaary.

HAVERHILL, Mass, July 8.—It was announced to-day that the trustees of Titon (N. H.) Seminary having raised the \$100,000 gift for an endownent of the policy of the matter yesterday Golden said:

"I locked up the saloon before retiring. I think the work is the result of spite. There were not the floor stream with broken glass and flooded with beer and the money drawer rifled. In speaking of the matter yesterday Golden said:

"I locked up the saloon before retiring. I think the work is the result of spite. There are several people in town who are jealous of my success in business."

result in mutilating the parks. I shall see Mr. Murphy personally and see if this law-lessness can't be stopped. I shall insist that the police do their duty and put a stop to it. I knew there would be some, but I am not afraid of it, and I know the respect-sble community see the good in the plan."

A question put to Mr. Clausen s to whether he thought Commissioner Murphy was acting from political motives in view of Mr. Clausen's reported candidacy for the Mayoralty, led him to say:

"Mr. Murphy is a very experienced politician, but I don't layow what his motives in this may be. I don't mind this thing one bit. I got my office sort of by accident, and when I get through I'm going off on an extended yachting trip. Until then, though, I shall run the parks for the highest good of the people. I shall resent any interference in my plans by the police This department must run the parks, and it was a bad thing when they took their police jurisdiction away from the Park Department."

MORE PARK BENCHES-SOME DAY. There Ought to Be \$0,000 in This Berough Alone," Says the Mayor.

Mr. Clausen sent a request to the Board of Estimate yesterday for \$20,000 to buy new benches for the public parks. Mr. Clausen said in the letter that he sent to the board that he would not be able to get enough castings for more than 3,500 benches this year, as the capacity of the prisons for turning them out is limited, and he said that if the board would let him have \$10,000 now and the rest later he would be satisfied. Engineer McLean of the Finance Depart-ment also reported that it would not be

ment also reported that it would not be possible to get enough castings for all the benches needed this year and that \$10,000 would be ample.

"President Clausen says that he can provide \$,000 new benches," said the Mayor.

"I move that we give him a chance to keep bis word!"

his word."

On the motion of the Mayor the request was indersed and referred to the Municipal Assembly. As that body has adjourned until Aug 27 there is no way in which the bond issue can be authorized before the end of the summer. After the question was decided the Mayor had something to say about the parks.

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"President Clausen asked for \$2,000 for new benches in his last requisition," he said. "It seems that he didn't want to put in many new ones then. There are only 10,000 free benches in all the parks in Manhattan, according to Mr. Levey. There ought to be at least \$0,000 of them in this borough alone."

PRICE ON HIS BEAD HE SAYS.

Austrian Editor Acquitted of Larceny Says Things About Austrian Officials.

Frank Zotti of the firm of Frank Zotti & Co., bankers and brokers of 108 Greenwich street, was on trial in Special Sessions yesterday on a larceny charge preferred by four Hungarian miners on their way home after s year and a haif's work in the Pennsylvania mines. The complainants declared that when they arrived in New York on the morning of June 18, they negotiated with Zotti for passage on a cattle boat sailing for Bremen at noon of that day, and paid him \$32. After the money was paid they were directed to a ticket office at 21 Broadway. They declared that they did not receive their tickets nor, they say, were they able to recover the passage money.

When Zotti was put on the stand he said that the men had asked him for tickets; that he had taken their money, sealed it in an envelope and sent it to the ticket agency an envelope and sent it to the ticket agency at 21 Broadway, as he was not in the ticket-selling business, and had simply wished to aid them. He was acquitted. After the trial he made this statement to reporters.

"I am the proprietor of the Naredni Liet," It is a semi-weekly newspaper printed in the Croatian language. In my paper I have had occasion to write up the immigration officials; also the Austro-Hungarian Society of 14 Greenwich street. This brought me into a clash with the Austro-Hungarian Consulate.

"Incidentally, I may mention that my paper is prohibited at home, and that the home Government has set a price on my head—5,000 guiden. I don't know just what that may mean. However, I shall continue to may mean. may mean. However, I shall continue to conduct myself as my conscience dictates, without reference to the home Government."

SMASHED EXPRESS ON A BRIDGE.

Other Train-Tramp Fell in River. NEW BRUNSWICK, N. J., July 8 -- A freight car in a train bound for New York jumped the tracks of the Pennsylvania Railroad in this city to-day, and the engineer, not knowing what had happened, went shead with the teralled our dragging. The car was dragged out on the trestic across the Raritan River, where the frieght met the Philadelphia and Washington express. The protruding car struck the side of the express and crushed it in from the engine to the last coach, including three Pullmans, two day coaches and a mail car. One passenger in the express who had his arm hanging outside the window had it broken. The freight train came to a stop on the bridge with the derailed car hanging over. The trucks of the car had to be dropped into the river.

On board the freight was a gang of tramps and one of them got off in such a hurry that he fell into the river and the train men do not think that he rose again. A search was made for his body, but it was not found, and the police think he escaped to the shore. Traffic between New York and Philadelphia on the road was delayed for over an hour. out on the trestle across the Raritan River.

GAMBLING IN QUEENS.

Murphy Has a Talk With Inspector Clayton

About the Poolrooms That Don't Exist. Inspector Clayton of Queens borough had a conference with Police Commissioner Murphy, yesterday, about gambling in that borough. The inspector made a report on the neglect a while ago in reply to an order from the Commissioner. The report said that no poelroom remained open in the borough half an hour after its existence was known to the police. The exodus of Manhattan gamblers to Long Island by way of the Thirty-fourth street ferry each afternoon and their return after the races was not explained. Neither the Commissioner nor the inspector would tell the result of yesterday's conference.

Deputy Commissioners Davery and York had a conference with Col. Murphy yesterday in the Commissioners office, at which, so it was understood, the final details of the new system were discussed. borough. The inspector made a report on

BANKRUPTCY TO FEND OFF A WOMAN. Langer Doesn't Propose to Pay Julia Reel

Damages for False Arrest. Louis M. Langer, a promoter of 800 Lexington avenue, filed a petition in bankruptcy yesterday, in which he declared his liabilities to be \$30,389 and his assets nothing. The principal claim enumerated was that of Julia Reel for \$30,000 damages for false arrest. Langer explained last night that his liabilities

Langer explained last high that his hoolities were really not more than about \$0,000, but that he had added the \$30,000 in case the Reel woman carried out a threat to sue for false arrest.

Langer had the woman arrested on June 25 on a charge of taking his watch. They had had a row several days before that when the woman went to Langer's office and smashed a pane of glass. When the watch case came up in Jefferson Market poince court, the man decided not to press the charge. charge.

THEIR BOAT UPSET IN A STORM. Three Boys Cling to the Keel for Over an Hour Until Rescued.

ITHACA, N. Y., July 8 - Three lads, Oliver Potter, William Knight and John Smith, narrowly escaped drowning in Cayuga Lake to-day. Representing that they were experienced with sailing craft they obtained possession of a boat of W. M. Jarvis and in carelessly handling it in a storm were over-turned. For over an hour they clung to the keel in imminent danger of being washed away by the waves, but were lineally recound by Jesse Loveless, who lives opposite the scene of the accident. narrowly escaped drowning in Cayuga Lake

BARKER TAKEN TO PRISON: PASTOR KELLER'S ASSAILANT BEGINS HIS FIVE-YEAR TERM.

or Says It Was Doomed Advisable to Less No Time Pending a Decision on His Appeal
—In Good Spirite When He Left Jersey City

-Keller's Friends Are in a Quandary. Thomas G. Barker, who was sentenced to five years in State Prison for shooting the Rev. John Keller, was taken to Trenton yesterday by Deputy Sheriff Frank Hague of Jersey City. Barker was informed by Sheriff Ruempler a few days ago of the date when he would be removed from the county jail and the prisoner requested that the trip be made as quietly as possible. He was tired of the camera flends and wanted to escape

Not even the jail officials knew that the time had arrived for Barker to begin his term until Hague appeared at the Warden's office at 8:15 o'clock in the morning, presented commitment papers signed by Blair and asked for the prisoner. Barker took only five minutes in which to prepare for the journey. He spent the next five minutes in saying good-by to Warden Ter-ence Sullivan, Matron Rose Murray and the jail keepers and brightened up when all Prison would not be long. Then turning to Deputy Sheriff Hague he said he was ready and the pair left the jail. Barker was no handouffed, the officer saying that there was no necessity for it.

Nobody on the trolley car, which they boarded for the ferry, recognized the prisoner. The two men entered the waiting room at the depot shortly before 9 o'clock. Barker did not let the conversation drag for a minute. Before boarding the train the prisoner

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Before boarding the train the prisoner told a reporter that he intended to be as cheerful as possible under the circumstances and hoped for the best. He said that it has been deemed advisable for him to go ahead with his sentence without delay, so that no time would be lost if his appeal to the upper courts did not turn out in his favor. He said that his friends had stood nobly by him and had given him great encouragement.

When asked if he thought the Rev. Mr. Keller would bring suit of any kind, Barker answered: "My wife and I are Episcopalians and I know the workings of the Newark diocese as well as any one. Keller did not take his meals at our house for years without telling us all that was going on. I don't think that he will ask for a trail. His advisers are all opposed to it and we all know where Bishop Starkey stands. If we had been allowed to tell our whole story on the witness stand we would have turned things upside down. The whole story will be told some day."

Barker sent word to his wife on Saturday that he would be taken to Trenton yesterday. She hurried to the fall that afternoon and spent almost an hour with him.

Mr. Keller, who went to the summer residence of Col. Edwin A. Stevens at Bernardsville ten days ago, returned to his boarding house in Arlington pesterday. When it was stated that he would stay in secinsion for six weeks. His return followed within a day of the announcements in the newspapers of the piace of his retreat. It is coincident, too, with the visit of the Rev. Dr. Jenvey became their guest just as the Rev. Mr. Keller bade them good-by.

Dr. Jenvey has not hesitated to say that, while he believes Mr. Keller a wronged man, he deems it a duty the wounded rector owes to the Church to take steps to acquit himself of Mrs. Barker's charges. He said as much to the Stevenses. Dr. Jenvey became their guest just as the Rev. Mr. Keller bade them good-by.

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purged of the scandal Barker's trial has brought upon it

Mr Keller himself has refused to talk, but an intimate of his said a few days ago that he did not see how a church trial could be arranged. There is a wide difference of view among those informed about the Church canons, upon the point whether the case is in such shape that the church can take action. Some of the ministers say that the church cannot proceed until and unless Keller is criminally accused. And, even if a church trial be possible without it, it must be a secret trial, says Courtland Parker, and in the nature of a Grand Jury inquiry.

And that, said one of Mr. Keller's partians yesterday, would be scouted by the public as a whitewash.

Nor, his friends insist, do the civil courts offer any way for vindication. If he sness Mrs. Barker for scandal the jury might in sympathy with her poverty, award only nominal damages against her. That would not be regarded as a vindication. It would be like damning with faint praise. If he asks for her indictment for perjury, the indictment might be set aside on the ground that as the Court had ruled out her story as inadmissible and irrelevant, she had not swern falsely on an essential point and that, therefore, the indictment would not lie.

With the ecclesiastical and the civil courts thus offering no satisfactory relief, Keller's friends say they will wait for Barker or his wife to take steps. A suit for the alienation of Mrs. Barker's affections is about the only shape proceedings are out of the question with Barker in the State prison.

Transron, N. J. July 8.—When Barker arrived here he was take directly to the State Prison. Just inside he passed Gov Vogrhees, who, with the Special Committee of the Board of Pardons, was making a personal examination of the cases to come before the board at its next term. Mr. Barker, while walking from the station to the prison asked many questions concerning the places passed, life at the prison, the prison rules, how often prisoners may receive letters or visitors and

Pedestrians Have No Rights Which the Automobilists Respect. Magistrate Says.

Samuel Baxter's automobile ran over Max Eidelman of 79 Suffolk street in Suffolk street and badly injured him two weeks ago. Baxter, who lives at 327 West Fiftyand street, was held to await the result Eidelman's injuries. When the case was eed vesterday it was announced that Eidel-a had died last Wednesday in the Beth called vesterday it was annual man had died last Wednesday in the Beth Israel Hospital.

I will raise your bail to \$2,000 and hold you for examination," said Magistate Flammer, "Pedestrians have now no rights in the streets that you automobile drivers respect. You go speeding along in complete disregard of the lives of men, women and children. Some of you ought to be made an example of, and if I had my way some of you would go to the State prison."

in a Week's Hot Spell Last August. The records of the Bureau of Vital Statisties show that there were 1.671 deaths from all causes in Manhattan and The Bronx in the all causes in Manhattan and The Bronx in the week ending Saturday at non and of these 650 were due to heat or "sunstroke" alone. In Brooklyn there were 938 deaths of which 264 were due to the heat. The total number of deaths from the heat in the whole city was 959 for the week. The number of deaths in the week ending Aug 15, 1896, which included the hottest spell preceding this was larger by nearly 200.

WEEHAWKEN SALOON SMASHED. Looks as Though Somebody Borrowed Carrie

Nation's Hatchet to Do the Job. When Hugh Golden, a Wechawken saloonkeeper opened up his place yesterday morning he found the plate glass mirrors smashed, the floor strewn with broken glass and flooded with beer and the money drawer rifled. In speaking of the matter yesterday Golden

MR. M'ESEN WOULD BE AN ALDERMAN. Suished Brooklyn Lawyer Will Probab Be Neminated This Fall.

Politicians in Brooklyn were interested resterday in the announcement that the Hon. James McKeen, one of the foremost citizens of the borough, a noted lawyer, a member of the Charter Revision Commission and former President of the Hamilton Club, would probably be the Republican candidate for Alderman this fall in the First Assembly district. Although Mr. McKeen has frequently declined much higher political honors. it is believed that he would be willing to accept a seat in the Board of Alderman. Col. Willis L. Ogden, chairman of the Anti-Tammany General Conference Committee, said: "There is a desire that Mr. McKeen take a place on the city ticket. When I asked him if he would not help he said he did not went any office but that if he were to be drafted. he would prefer to be an Alderman to holding any other office. It would prove a splendid example for the Anti-Tammany forces to name such a man. It would prove an incentive for the whole city to name candidates e match him. Mr. McKeen's special interest in the Board of Aldermen is to see the local improvement boards developed on the lines of the new powers granted them in the

in the Board of Aldermen is to see the local improvement boards developed on the imposed of the new powers granted them in the Charter.

Mr. McKeen said:

"It is true that I do not want public office, but if there is a disposition to nominate me I would be inclined to accept a nomination for Alderman. I would rather have that than almost any office I know of the local Board of Improvements develop the powers given under the new Charter. If we could arouse public septiment in these districts to a realization of its power. I think there would be no doubt of improvement in the city government at large. Under the new Charter the local boards have considerable legislative powers in connection with improvements, and in suppressing nuisances, as well. These boards can pass ordinances in certain instances which shall be effective, unless declared of a general nature by the Mayor.

"The abolition of the Board of Alderman was advocated before the Charter Revision Commission, of which I was a member; but for my part I could not see how, under our system of government, we are to get along without some sort of a city legislative body. It is my opinion that the Aldermen are unduly abused. So far as my experience goes, I think our Aldermen intend to do the right thing and that their integrity ought no more to be questioned than that of many persons of much greater social pretensions on the average."

Col. Michael J. Dady and all the other Republican statemen in the First district will see that Mr. McKeen is nominated by acclamation and that he gets a rousing majority at the polls in November.

Some months ago, when Mr. McKeen and other representatives of the Brooklyn League, appeared before the Board of Aldermen and desired to be heard on the question of increasing the water supply. Alderman Bridges interposed an emphatic objection remarking: "Why don't them folks go and get elected if they want to talk here." This incident may have suggested to Mr. McKeen the purpose to run for Alderman.

BISSERT MUST GO TO TRIAL Herlihy Demure -Scannell Pleading Put Over Until Friday.

Recorder Goff overruled yesterday the demurrers to the indictments against George Bissert, Capt. Diamond's wardman, accused of accepting bribes from a disorderly house keeper. He also denied the motion of Bissert's counsel for leave to inspect the minutes of the Grand Jury. It is the intention of the District Attorney to try the case this week or next.

Abraham J. Elkur, representing Capt. Herlihy, appeared before Recorder Goff yesterday and presented a demurrer to the indictment accusing his client when com-

whether with or without its water, the annual use of which is worth more than 5 per cent or less than 8 per cent of its sale value in addition to taxes.

"The plaintiffs farm is worth \$6,500, yet he claimed damages to the amount tof \$75,000, it is impossible to contemplate such a claim without that instinctive hostility which every attempt to deceive the court and by its aid work out a fraud deserves.

"I have not deemed it necessary to cite authorities in support of the specific views that I have expressed. It is enough that they must commend themselves to the rational mind. It seems to be considered in some quarters that Judges should not think any more on their own account; that think any more on their own account; that they should spend their lives mousing through mouldy libraries in search of what other mouldy libraries in search of what other Judges, in a less enlightened age, have said, not even on the immediate question in hand, but upon some matter more less distinctly related. It is thought to be presumption to let one's own bucket down into the living well of reason, instead of being content to lick up from the muddy, trampled earth around it the green and stagnant leakage of the past. And so the science of law, which was once deemed the perfection of human reason, is being left behind by every other science. The last word has not yet been said on any subject."

DIDN'T MASQUERADE AS NUN, HE SAYS.

Man Arrested for Swindling Servants Declares He Was Acting for Woman Pedler. Edward O'Rourke, the young man who was arrested on Saturday charged with getting ours - hand-tailored, fashionable and money from Margaret Meyer, a servant at 70 reliable - at almost HALE PRICE Linden avenue. Flatbush, on the pretence of being a priest with power to bring either good luck or a curse, was held in \$300 in the

good luck or a curse, was held in \$300 in the Grant street police court yesterday to await examination on Thursday. He denied that he had masqueraded as a nun or priest or gypsy king as alleged. He said he was an inspector for the National Tube Works of McKeesport, near Pittsburg, Pa., and had come to Brooklyn to visit his sister. He went to Coney Island and while druck meta woman who sold laces. This woman took him to see Miss Meyer. The woman said she had power to cure Miss Meyer, and he called to see the complainant on Thursday to collect money for the woman who sold laces. The police are after the lace woman.

MILITIA AT THE EXPOSITION.

Company K of the Seventy-first Regiment Arrives Others Expected Next Week.

BUFFALO, July 8 - Company K of the Seventy-first Regiment, New York city, under command of Capt. D. L. Hughes, arrived at the Exposition this morning. It will remain at Camp Millard Fillmore the rest of the week. Next week Buffalo will have the Twenty-Next week Buffalo will have the Twentysecond Regiment of New York city, three
companies of the Seventieth Regiment, Virginia Volunteers, Armour's Cadets from
Chicago, the Eighth Ohio Regiment and
Navai Militia from Ohio and Michigan.
The Clique Tourists, as 250 grocery men
from New York style themselves, arrived in
Buffalo at 8 o'clock to-night for the Grocers'
Convention, which opens to-morrow They
are booked at the same hotel with sixty
women schoolteachers from Boston. Howover, there is a buffet.

GAMBLERS' MURDER STORY.

COMMON GAMBLERS BUT HONEST MEN. SAYS HE THEY TESTIFY FOR.

Braphic Dialogue Quoted to Show How It Was Plotted to Assassinate Myles McDennell, but He Did the Killing Instead - Prisoner to Tell His Side of the Story To-day. Counsel for Myles B. McDonnell, the gamoler who is on trial before Justice Fursman n the criminal branch of the Supreme Court for the murder of George Price, began yesterday to unfold the theory of the defence that a number of the prisoner's enemies had come together in the Onowa Café on the night of the shooting for the purpose of killing him: that McDonnell stood one to four in

inch and wounded Maginess, a pal. The two witnesses called by the defence yesterday to tell this said that they were racetrack men. The prisoner said: "They're just common gamblers: but they're decent, honest men at that."

a pistol battle, and that Price had fired point-

blank at him, missed him by a fraction of an

Charles L. Shinn, one of the "common gamblers," said that he lived at Atlantic Highlands, but occasionally slept in the Onowa Café. The graphic description of the brawl which he gave, if true, upse the whole theory f the murder. He stuck to his story unflinchingly under cross-examination.

"About midnight," said the witness, "I

was standing near the cigar counter talking with McDonnell and the cigar man, and Kennedy, Piser, Courtney, Price, Maginess and another man came in. They invited McDonnell and me to take a drink, and we stepped up to the bar. Kennedy had his hands in his overcoat pockets. Price spoke to McDonnell, and went into a back room. McDonnell started to follow him, but was

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McDonnell started to follow him, but was
stopped by Kennedy. They talked together
for a few minutes, and then we hada drink.
Then, "said Shinn, "this dialogue took place:

"McDonnell (to Kennedy who was walking
away)—Come here, Tom. I want to see you.

"Piser:—Tom what did you come here for?
"Kennedy—Out that out.

"McDonnell—Don't cut it cut. If there
is anything to say, say it right here.

"Kennedy—Well, if that's the case, here goes.
"Kennedy," said the witness, "then whipped
out his gun from his overcoat pocket. McDonnell grabbed his arm and flung it up. Price
pulled his gun, aimed it as McDonnell, and
fired. I heard Maginess shout: "The—
gave it so me. By that time Piser had his
gun out and Courtney rushed up to McDonnell, caught him by the arm, and said:

"You got him now Tom. Throw it into
him. There was a general mix-up and I
heard sen or twelve shots fired. As the
crowd dispersed Courtney placed a pistol
over the bar and fell on the floor. Price
staggered out and the police came in.
McDonnell was standing alone with a smoking pistol pointed at the floor.

The prosecution contends that only five
shots were fired and that all were from
McDonnell's revolver. Robert McKay, a
gambler with a florid countenance and a
glib tongue, corroborated Shinn's story except in a few minor details, and Charles Garthe,
a youthful assistant cashier in the oafe
supported it. McDonnell so the boy said,
orfed: "You bunch came here to do me, but
you can't. Then Kennedy pulled a pistol
and shooting became general.

Thomas B. Watson, a Westohester real
estate broker, testified that he had known
McDonnell, he takought, was in the commission business, but the witness met him when
he was in the electioneering business.

"Where is that business carried on?" asked
Justice Fursman.

"Oh, in saloons or any old place, "responded
Watson.

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Watson.

McDonnell himself will take the stand to-day and tell his story of the fight.

THE NEW TAX LAWS IN OPERATION. Revenue From Trust Companies, Savings Banks, &c., Expected to Exceed the Estimates.

keller's adviser. The lawyer spends his summer at Bernardsville, and Mr. Keller's friends say that one purpose that took him there was that he night consult with the law-per without having his every movement noted.

The Rev. E. L. Stoddard, who, in the official or mander of the Eldridge street station of noted. The keller is proposed to the first tangent of the statement alleges specifically that Herilhy permitted the existence of more than 100 disorderly houses in his precinct. Mr. Elkur argued that under such an indictment it would be obligatory for the prosecution to prove that Herilhy for the prosecution to ALBANY, July 8.-The corporation tax manner, that a large number of unlawful places were permitted to exist and that failure to suppress them constitutes a single orine. Recorder toof gave both sides until Saturday to submit briefs and will announce his decision on Monday.

The pleading of Fire Commissioner Scannell and William L. Marks, which was set down before Recorder Goff for yesterday, was adjourned until Friday.

JUSTICE MAREAN ON LAW'S DECAY.

Due to Bondage of Precedent, He Says, "the Green and Stagnant Leakage of the Past."

Supreme Court Justice Marsan in Brooklyn handed down a decision yesterday giving Judgment for nominal damages in favor of Frederick Reselrt, a farmer of Nassau county, in his action to recover \$75,000 damages against the city of New York for the depreciation of his farm by the lowering of the water level caused by the pumping stations.

Justice Marean said that there is not a foot of agricultural land on Long Island, whether with or without its water, the annual use of which is worth more than 5 per cent. of its sale value in addition to taxes. The plaintiff's farm is worth \$15,000, it is impossible to contempiate such a claim without that instinctive hostility which every attempt to decive the court and by its aid work out a frauid decrease; to the specific views that I have expressed. It is enough that they must commend themselves to the rational mind. It seems to be considered.

Brewing Firm Builds Free Bath.

The poor in the Twenty-seventh ward section of Williamsburg will have the benefit of a free bath which is being erected in a large two tory house at Forrest street and the intersection of Evergreen and Central avenues. A Williamsburg brewing firm is having the work done and it will cost \$12,000.

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FOUR TRAINS OF EPWORTHIANS.

Pennsylvania Bailroad Starts a Big Mzeursion Party for San Francisco.

Probably the largest railroad tourist excursion which ever crossed the continent started yesterday morning from the Jersey City terminal of the Pennsylvania Railroad The excursionists consisted of men and women bound for San Francisco to attend the annual convention of the Epworth League which is to be held in that city. So large was the crowd it was necessary to run the train in four sections. The trains were made up of eight cars each, including vestibuled sleeping cars cars each, including vestibuled sleeping cars, dining cars and observation cars. The four trains had comfortable accommedations for soo passengers and the number of passengers booked showed that there would be no vacant places in either section by the time the western boundary of Pennsylvania was reached. Each train was under the charge of a tourist agent who will personally direct tes movements and look after the comfort of the passengers, and of a chaperon who will devote her time to the women of the party. Meals will be served regularly on the trains and stops will be made along the route at the various points of scenie or historical interest. The return trip will be made through the wild mountain scenery of the Canadian Northwest

The excursion which left here yesterday was the latest development of the system which the Pennsylvanie company has been fostering for some years of personally conducted travel. On this line it has grown to great proportions, but never before under any auspices, it is asserted by the officials of the company, has so large a number of people been assembled is one series of trains fortrans portation across the continent and bacu under personal escort. The excursion which left here yesterday

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SIES HOTEL NAVARRE FOR \$3.000.

Moore Says He was Fat Out When He Raised a Fuss About a Theft.

Albert H. Moore, the proprietor of the Clover Dale Stock farm at Colmar, Montagomery county, P. a. brought suit in the United States Circuit Court yesterday for \$10,000 changes which he thinks the Navarre Hotel Company ought to pay him for injuries asstanced by his reputation on Jac. 3 last, without cause.

Philip H. Adams of 175 Duane street, who is Mr. Moore's lawyer, said yesterday that the Woor's pocket one night when he he was living at the hote! The hotel people, Mr. Adams said, wanted to keep the hing from the ballet westigate the matter. Moore became exasperated at their slowness and finally made a reject of the property of the search of the hotel is the presence of the assembled guands restrictly that he had a successfully passed the examination for admission to text he hotel. Decame he hotel is the Decame he hotel he had been men picked by the court of Appeals that he has successfully passed the examination for admission to the hotel of the Nore's noney had been recovered. Moore wouldn't have lost it, Dabb saids if had the armination for admission to the hotel of the west Chester station agent of the lost of the state where he is employed. He tone a two seasons and the property of the hotel of the day is the property of the hotel of the day is the property of the hotel of the day is the property of the hotel of the day is the property of the hotel of the day is the property of the hotel of the day

ITHACA, N. Y., July 8.-Fred Wolverton 17 years old, who resides at Trumansburg, was drowned last evening while swimming near Frontenac Beach, Cayuga Lake. The young man, in company with Harry O'Connell, was bathing in the basin at Frontenac. Wolverton, who was apparently swimming easily, suddenly uttered cries for help to his companion on the bank, but though O'Connell mediately plunged into the water, Wolverton sank before he could reach him. It is thought that the lad's heart failed.

Thrown Out Because He Wouldn't Marry —Came Back and Broke All the Windows.

PATERSON, N. J., July 8.—Christy De Koster a Belgian, living in Madison Park, this city, was in the police court this morning charged with bombarding the bouse of Marinus Gilman with stones last night. De Koster was regionation to Gilman's daughter. When

Civil Service Regulations Approved by Gov.

Odell.

Albant, July 8.—Gov. Odell has approved regulations of the State Civil Service Commission placing in the exempt class, in the office of the State Comptroller, the position of confidential inspector in the bureau of charitable institutions, providing for two additional attorneys to be exempt from, examination in the State Excise Department making seven in all, and exempting from examination the director of the cancer laboratory connected with the State Department of Health

ALBANY, July 8.-The White Star Repubican Club was incorporated to-day to further in Manhattan borough the interests of the Republican party, to associate together in social intercourse and to interest negro voters in political affairs. The directors are theorge Thompson, John M. Hedgeman, William E. Terry, William Miner and William V. Seay of New York.

La Normandie's Chief Baker a Suicide

Ferdinand Hautol, head baker aboard the yesterday from Havre, jumped overboard in High grade perfect-fitting suits to measure at sweeping reductions from early prices.

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NEW SLEUTH AT THE BATTERY. Police Linguist Gets a Congenial Job-Inc

dentally, He's an Expert Sign Talker. Policeman Quackenboss, the linguist of the force, has a new job. They have sent him down to the Barge Office to walk about Battery Park in as innocent looking a guise as a plain clothes cop can assume to keep track of the flim-flam artists who work off gold bricks and Confederate money upon unsuspecting immigrants and that is ple for

Policeman Quackenboss.

They do say in the Police Department that Quackenbose got his present job because his feet are not police feet and that for that very reason his old commander up in Harlem tried hard to keep him because he was invaluable for Excise duty but it is more probable that the policeman's being able to speak fluently eight languages and nineteen dialects, to say nothing of using the deaf and dumb sign language as readily as oral communication, had something to do with it.

Policeman Quackenboss himself values his new job principally because it enables him to learn new tongues, so he says. He has been down at the Barge Office for less than a month now, but he has added three new dialects to his list of linguistic accomplishments and he expects to go on acquiring time to come. His detective duties are comparatively light, he asserts, not because

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